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THE ULTIMATE DREAM

A Day With the Assay Commission

By Barbara Hyde, CSNA 1543
Photos courtesy James Miller
of COINage Magazine



1974 ASSAY COMMISSION MEDAL

2¼" pewter (91% tin, 8% copper and 1% antimony.) 38 pieces issued. Obverse: The American Congress to George Washington, Commander in Chief of the Armies, the Assessor of Liberty. By Duvivier, Paris.

Reverse: "We stand on the threshold of a new era of peace in the world" . . . Richard M. Nixon. By Frank Gasparro and Philip Fowler.

A phone call and a voice saying, "The President of the United States has appointed you as one of the 1974 Assay Commissioners. Will you be able to be present when they convene February 13th in Philadelphia?"

Thus it all began for 25 happy numismatists across the United States. There were four of us from California; Jim Miller of COINage magazine; Charles Colver, secretary of CSNA; Maurice Gould, columnist; and your CSNA editor.

One week later we all convened in the Assay Room of the United States Mint in Philadelphia for the exciting experience. The center table, dwarfed in the huge room, was

set up with a name tag for each person. Around the perimeter were the scales for weighing, the equipment for counting and the table laden with envelopes from the San Francisco Assay Office, Denver Mint and Philadelphia Mint with coins taken each month from their production to be used in the annual Assay.

The commission was convened by Mary Brooks, Director of the Bureau of the Mint. She presented us each with the official document from the President. After being duly sworn in, the first official order of the day was to elect a permanent chairman. I was the most shocked person alive when my name

was put in nomination by Maurice Gould who declined the nomination for himself. This illustrious group then unanimously elected me their permanent chairman. The agenda of the day is previously prepared by the permanent secretary and assures a smooth and efficient operation. Through the years the procedure for the day has been well established and strictly adhered to.

The Trial of the Pyx, as it is sometimes referred to, was underway for 1974. Members of the Annual Assay Commission are participants in a ritual which has persisted throughout the centuries. Its origin is lost in antiquity but it is known that the ancient Greeks took much pride in the weight and fineness of their coins and the authorities kept a close check on the coiners. During the reign of Edward III the Trial of the Pyx was established as a continuous and regular ceremony. Random samples of the gold and silver currencies which were minted were placed in small sealed boxes to be weighed in the presence of the King's representatives and finally melted down and refined in order that their fineness might be verified.

Alexander Hamilton, in presenting to the Congress in 1791 the result of his "inquiries and reflections" relative to the estab-

lishment of the Mint, concluded that the "remedy for errors in the weight and alloy of the coins must necessarily form a part in the system of the Mint; and the manner of applying it will require to be regulated". In his message he described the English system of preserving samples of coinage in the pyx box, for mass assaying by a jury of the Company of Goldsmiths in the presence of the Lord Chancellor, the officers of the Treasury and others.

The Mint of the United States was established in 1792. The same Act of Congress which authorized it also provided for the Annual Assay Commission to be composed of the Chief Justice of the United States, the Secretary and Comptroller of the Treasury, the Secretary of the Department of State and the Attorney General of the United States. This is the oldest commission in continuous service to the United States.

It has been stated that the first coins from the Philadelphia Mint were silver dimes and half dimes in October, 1792. Whether an Assay Commission was appointed to examine these early pieces is not known, but according to the record books of Henry Voight, the chief coiner, thirty and one-half gallons of rum were purchased during that month. As



Chairman Barbara Hyde presiding over the 1974 Assay Commission.

there were but few employees around the Mint at that time to consume so much rum, speculation is that some kind of entertainment or celebration took place over the minting of the first coins. It could very well have been the first meeting of the Annual Assay Commission.

It is believed that the Assay Commission has met annually since it was created in 1792, with few exceptions. In 1801, when the capital was moved, the February meeting was postponed. It is presumed that the condition of the roads in mid-winter made it impossible to travel with horses from Washington to Philadelphia. When the meeting could not be held on the prescribed date, Elias Boudinot, Director of the Mint, wrote an indignant letter to President John Adams complaining that the public's confidence was being undermined and that the depositors were clamoring for the coins retained for examination. In those days the Mint operated on a "custom" basis, receiving bullion from individuals and returning it to them in an appropriate weight of coins. Thus the specimens retained for the annual assaying really belonged to the customers of the Mint. Congress solved the problem by providing for a meeting in April of that year.

The law now provides that the Assay Commission shall be composed of the Judge of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Assayer of the Assay Office at New York and such other persons as the President shall designate. The first authorization for the public to serve on the Commission was provided by statute in 1873. Being composed almost entirely of impartial citizens, independent of the Mint service, the Assay Commission reports to the President any deviations in coins beyond the legal limit. The object of its meeting is to insure the greatest care on the part of the coiners in conforming in all respects to legal weights and finenesses. The knowledge that any coin may be selected for this check has an excellent psychological effect upon the officers and employees of each coining facility. The purpose, of course, is to maintain our coinage standards at the highest possible level.

As the annual assay or trial of the coinage takes place considerably after the coin has been issued, any errors that might have occurred would not be discovered in time for prompt correction. It is for this reason that

for over fifty years additional precautionary measures have been instituted to make frequent special assays before production runs of coins are released.

The three separate committees making up the Assay Commission are Counting, Weighing, and Assaying. Each has a chairman and a co-chairman named by the permanent chairman and each commissioner receives his appointment to one of the committees. Each committee has specific work to do and a report to make, to be approved by the Commission at the end of the day.

During the calendar year 1973 the United States Mints produced several hundred million pieces of dollars and subsidiary coin. Inasmuch as the pyx box contains many thousands of coins taken at random throughout the year from Mint production, it is clear that the Commission could not be expected to examine every single one of them. The Commission is, therefore, expected to examine only such number as satisfies it as being representative of the whole.

The Counting Committee with their random check of the envelopes determined that all the counts were correct and no errors were found. You might wonder just what happens to all these coins. They are returned to the room where coins are bagged for the Federal Reserve Banks. The envelopes are emptied, destroyed and the coins sacked for distribution. Who knows? That quarter or dime you receive in change might be one of those counted or weighed to determine if our coinage conformed with all the specifications.

The morning was spent diligently working to complete the required tasks for their findings. The Weighing Committee checked the coins selected with weights that had been brought from the Bureau of Standards by Paul Pontius. These were sealed until opened for use so that there could be no alteration. The weights are in minute thousandths and made of platinum. So minute are the small denominations that a slight draft could easily blow them away. Mr. Pontius illustrated their minute accuracy by asking, "Did you know that you can measure your name on these scales?" You ask . . . how is this possible? By weighing a piece of paper and then writing your name on it with a pencil. Again weighing the paper and the difference is the weight of graphite deposited on the paper by your pencil. Our Weighing Committee found all the



Director Mary Brooks suggested that Maury Gould and Barbara Hyde attempt to balance

the giant scales in the Assay Room.

coins they selected to test to be well within the tolerances allowed for coinage of the United States.

The committee selected for assaying chose coins and they in turn were tested in the chemical department of the Mint. We watched the coins selected for melting being added to the tube and melted to a liquid state. This liquid was then poured into water slowly and balls of metal were formed that could be given the assayers tests. The tests in the chemical laboratory were naturally made by professional qualified people, the Commission only checking the results and observing the due process.

With the official business of the Commission completed, the commissioners were shown other departments behind the scenes at the Mint. We visited the department of Frank Gasparro, Chief Engraver of the United States Mint. He showed us the steps from an idea to the completed die. In his department sketches are made, the clay and plaster work completed and finally the galvano made ready for the Janvier engraving machine. We saw several dies in the process of being cut and then proceeded to the die room where the hubs are made and stored preparatory to striking the coins or medals. Our government does make

beautiful medals as we were to realize later in the evening.

It was a successful and eventful day. Our Commission found everything in order for the year and thus filed our reports and sent a resolution to the President of the United States so confirming our favorable findings. To see the inner working of our Mint and the precautions and care they take is impressive and gratifying.

Of course, all is not work with the Assay Commission. In the evening we relaxed and became better acquainted with our fellow commissioners at a banquet for us hosted by the Mint. Mary Brooks presided at the head table. Festivity reigned and we were anticipating the presentation of medals. This turned out to be a "first" for the Mint. Our medals were struck in pewter. As we near the 200th birthday of our country, this early colonial day metal was a fitting material to be used in commemoration of this important event.

The end to a perfect day and dream was at hand. The 1974 Commissioners, proud and happy, were all to return to their respective corners of the United States the next day, happier, wiser and proud of our Bureau of the Mint under the direction of Mary Brooks.



Three CSNA officers, Charles Colver, secretary; Maury Gould, educational director and Barbara Hyde, Calcoin News editor,

with Mary Brooks, Director of the Mint. The Pyx box shown is a gift of the Netherlands government.

A DAY TO REMEMBER

Reflections of the Assay Commission

By Charles G. Colver, CSNA 6 - 1

August 1969 found me in Philadelphia attending the official dedication ceremonies of the new U. S. Mint there. The day was very hot and little shade could be found on the Mall to the front of this magnificent new edifice. It never entered my mind that, four and one half years later, I might be back at the same spot as a member of the 1974 Annual Assay Commission. But it came to pass. What

a contrast from a hot August afternoon to a bitter cold, snow-swept February day in Philadelphia.

My appointment by President Nixon to the 1974 Assay Commission just has to be the high point of a lifetime, worthy of a few reflections here as the journey to far-off Philadelphia got underway:

Ontario Airport, warm and sunny even in early morning hours, joining with Editor Barbara Hyde to go aboard American Airlines 707 jetliner. We jet off to Dallas together where Barbara stops over to visit family. A glance at the new huge Dallas airport; first reaction, what a waste of space, but this is Texas!

Enter, the white world of Pennsylvania. Mountains of snow beside runways where snowplows had worked. Icy taxiways, very slow and dangerous for aircraft movement. A step into a different world, cold, snow and wind. Icy sidewalks, must watch that footing.

There, the huge bronze statue of William Penn still atop City Hall. Evening alone in the City of Brotherly Love. Kite and Key Room at the Ben Franklin Hotel.

Morning, still cloudy and very cold. A train ride to Media and a visit to The Franklin Mint. Great day visiting and viewing the new museum and production facilities. Very impressed!

Train ride back to Philadelphia. A serious train wreck on the adjoining track adds to the memories of the day.

Check into the Holiday Inn. View from window reveals The Mint, Ben Franklin's grave and the Mall with those memories from 1969.

Dinner with Barbara Hyde at world famous "Bookbinders" on the Philadelphia waterfront. What a lovely evening. Even weather is improving.

About 10 p. m., a knock at the door. It is delivery of instruction book for the activities of the coming day at the Mint. Read until after midnight.

Dawn of the big day. Weather slightly warmer, thawing a bit. Coins tossed atop Ben Franklin's grave for good luck leave odd little round holes in the snow.

Great clock on Independence Hall tower tolls 9 a. m., time to enter U. S. Mint at Philadelphia, to participate in the 1974 meeting of the Annual Assay Commission.

Red carpet treatment throughout. Long, long table in Assay Room with the 25 Commissioners seated around. Mary Brooks seated at the head of the table introduces each and presents them with the official Commission

signed by The President of the United States.

Barbara Hyde unanimously elected as Permanent Chairman after the honor is gallantly refused in her favor by Maurice Gould. A grand decision! Mary Brooks withdraws from head of table in favor of Chairman Hyde. Judge Lord renders the oath.

Coins are removed from the Pyx Box and examined by commissioners. Counted, weighed and melted down for assay.

Reports made, signed and put on file. All coins examined are found good. After a lovely lunch, a conducted tour through the Mint and a visit with Chief Engraver Frank Gasparro.

A look at hundreds of new dies for Lincoln cents. They use more than I realized to produce those billions of cents.

A real thrill. A preview of the brand new aluminum cents. The three held in hand possibly the first to be held by anyone from outside the Mint. Photographers, television and news interviews.

Chairman Hyde raps the gavel at 4 p. m. The 1974 Assay Commission adjourns forever.

The great clock on Independence Hall tolls 6 p. m., the wonderful day is complete except for the banquet and presentation of The Assay Medal. Snow is melted off Ben Franklin's grave. Someone has reached through the grate and raked off all the good luck coins.

The climatic moment, receive The Assay Medal. Beautiful! So glad to receive this one, it is outstanding.

Discussed the medal with Philip Fowler, the designer. He is very proud of it, and with good reason. Only 38 issued. Special 2¼" size is used for the Assay Medal. First pewter medal ever struck by the U. S. Mint. Pewter to be used for the upcoming bi-centennial official medals.

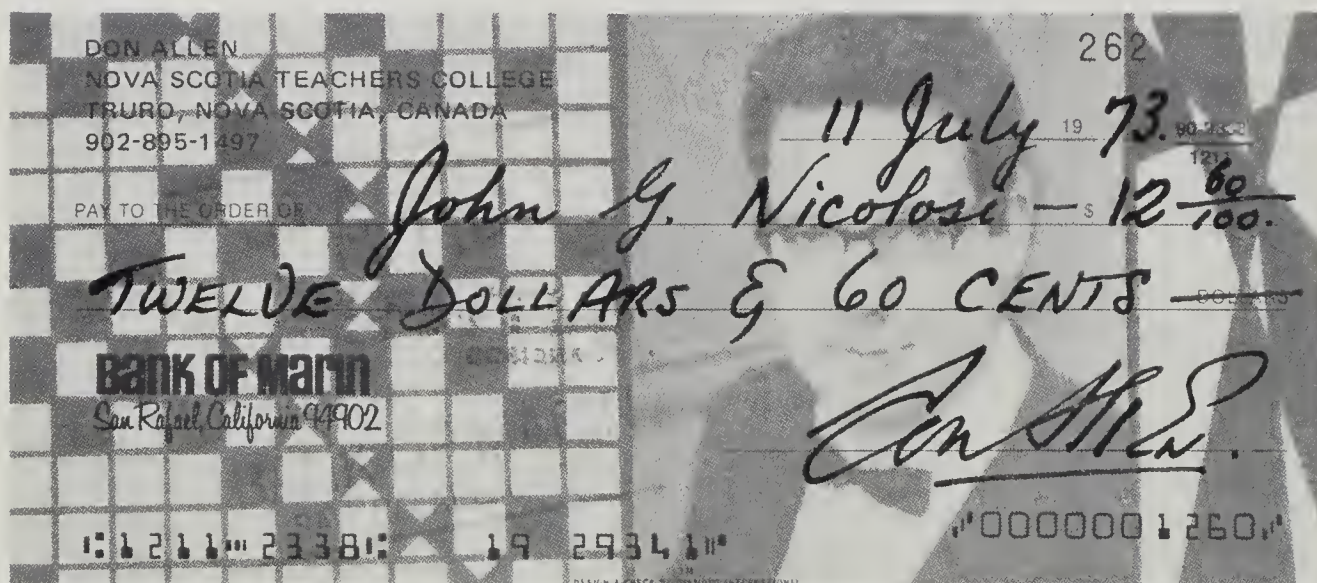
A wonderful evening of fine food and good fellowship, ends too soon. Mary Brooks, a most gracious hostess. Mint people, the finest. Midnight, February 13, 1974, the great day comes to an end.

Forecast, snow and much colder. California, here I come with my precious medal in hand. Truly, a day to remember!

NOW MONEY

Collecting with Gusto

By Harold Don Allen, CSNA 25 - 1



Bank of Marin, San Rafael, honors this personal check of author Don Allen, a "Design-a-Check" with portrait flanked by

mathematical designs. Allen has donated some 100 modern checks to CSNA's numismatic collection.

As a student of money and monetary forms, I enjoy a look at the coins, tokens and folding money of a different time and place, or the primitive exchange media of a wholly different civilization. But mostly I live, with a certain gusto, in the economic world of here and now, and my collecting interests uninhibitedly reflect this. So I write a cheque with loving care, certify it, issue it, and reserve for it a place in my collection. I use my credit card far from home, filing the charge documents in my album and the expired card in my safety deposit box.

One breed of collector looks down upon me, for there is no money and little prestige in accumulating such items. This worries me not a bit, for I collect primarily to please myself. But my chief satisfaction — an unexpected dividend — comes from sharing my knowledge and interest, and I find that I can command good listeners from among leading ranks of numismatists.

I have asked myself whenever I spent money just what forms money presently takes. So often, the cheque. My salary, dividends and interest all come as cheques — or automatic credits. My payments of consequence all are by credit card, cheque or money order. Folding money is handy for modest transactions, but no one wants to lose a wallet full. Coins are mere tokens, a necessary nuisance for sales tax and minor purchases. Hence, in terms of "now" media, I am more concerned with electronic money than with silver coins. The fact that I am virtually alone in my interests makes my task both easier and harder. Easier in that I have no competition, that there are more than enough materials to go around. Harder in that I have few to help me, to exchange ideas, tips, and new acquisitions.

I think, on due reflection, that I caught the "new money" bug while in California, but not as much from fellow collectors as from the environment. It was the mid-sixties, and

Bank of America was featuring its "zebra" billboard. Said the chequered zebra, "I got my distinctive checks at Bank of America." I got mine, too, and was on the ground floor of collecting pictorial cheques. I still bank in California. My favourite cheques I designed for myself at Bank of Marin, the bank that made the "Design-a-Check" famous. But I also have had a "NOW" account in Boston, a "constants" account in New Hampshire, and the striking "coinage" cheques of First of Nevada, Reno. "Upgrading" my cheque collection takes me back to a boyhood affair with Canadian cents, for there are close analogies. But each cheque is individual, and emblazoned upon it is much of the story it has to tell.

I wonder where we're going, in monetary

matters. Computers talking to each other across the continent . . . last month, a hotel in Biloxi checking my credit in Montreal to process a credit card invoice in one currency to be billed in another . . . next month, what? It's hard to predict, but I'll tell you this: I'll collect and preserve the artifacts, extending a collection that begins with cowrie and Baluba cross and extends to an open-ended tomorrow. So, if I've no time for the proof sets, the market reports, the investment circulars, you'll understand. I'm too busy collecting the stuff that pumps through the veins of commerce — money of today and tomorrow. I invite you to join me. I assert that today's the most exciting time in two thousand years of monetary history.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

An education professor in Nova Scotia, Don Allen is a CSNA life member and a graduate of summer programs at University of Santa Clara — when he was a frequent speaker in San Francisco and San Jose numismatic circles.

Don directs those interested in check collecting, historic and modern, to Check Collectors Round Table, Inc., through its secretary, Larry Adams, 969 Park Circle, Boone, Iowa 50036.

3rd Annual Seminar

The third annual California Educational Seminar is being planned for September 13, 14 and 15, 1974 at the California State Polytechnic College, at the Kellogg West Center for Continuing Education in Pomona, California.

The participating organizations are the California State Numismatic Association; the Organization of International Numismatists; the Council of International Numismatics, and the Numismatic Association of Southern California.

The three-day seminar in 1973 was very successful and the course will be further developed. The instructors are the country's outstanding specialists in the area of counterfeit detection — Virgil Hancock of Bellaire, Texas; John L. Hunter, Detroit, Michigan, and Col. Robert Kriz of Florida.

In addition, the popular course of Coin

Grading & Processing will be repeated under the direction of Dr. Sol Taylor, a member of the staff of Chapman College in Orange, California.

William Holberton will assist in the specific gravity experiments.

Maurice M. Gould, the founder of the seminar, will act as Chairman, with William O. Wisslead, President of the California State Numismatic Association as co-chairman.

Dr. Ted Weissbuch, an instructor at the college and well known numismatist, is the coordinator.

Only a limited number of students can be accommodated. It is hoped that a full credit for this course will again be given this year.

Further information may be obtained by writing to Wm. O. Wisslead, 2053 Cypress St., Santa Ana, CA. 92707.

Champaign National Bank

Features New Exhibits



CSNA member Oscar H. Dodson, a past president of the ANA, has prepared exhibits in anticipation of National Coin

Week. Pictured are some of the displays in the Champaign National Bank in Champaign, Illinois.

These displays are located in the bank, in the second floor Roger Adams room, which also retains an earlier exhibit of the unusual medals awarded to this late distinguished scientist.

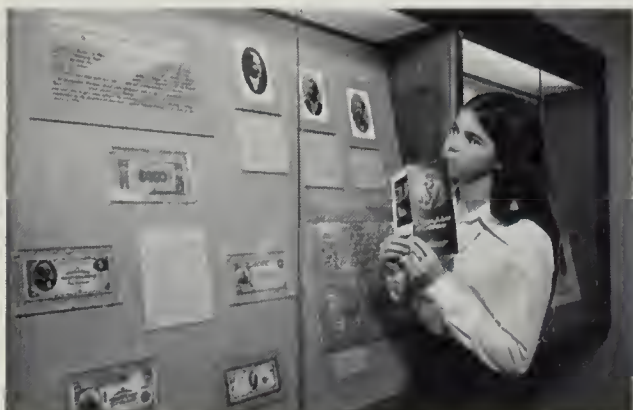
One new exhibit highlights ninety-eight years of continuous bank service to the community, and displays rare early National Bank notes issued by Champaign National Bank.

A second display records the exciting story of treasure recovered from the sea. Included are gold and silver coins from the

wrecksite, off Florida, of the 1715 Spanish silver fleet, a pirate flintlock, and a model of a Spanish galleon.

The third exhibit emphasizes the intriguing and unexpected designs, covering most aspects of human activity and knowledge, which appears on the contemporary coinage of other nations.

Conducted tours of the exhibits and of banking facilities, for both students and adult groups are available by advance appointment.



Bank visitor Elizabeth Rutherford, age 16, thoughtfully studies the large size currency notes once issued by Champaign National Bank.

6th Annual CSNA Educational Symposium March 30

The sixth annual educational symposium, one of the most prestigious numismatic events, will be presented by California State Numismatic Association in Long Beach on March 30. This will be an all-day educational session with outstanding speakers and exhibits.

Final plans are being formulated, according to James Ray, the chairman. Maurice M. Gould, syndicated columnist, has arranged an excellent educational program, including Charles Ruby, former governor of the ANA and outstanding numismatist; Valentine Pasvolsky of Lakewood, New Jersey, an authority on Indian numismatics and lore; Arthur Fitts III of Colorado Springs, the newly appointed associate director of the ANA; and Bryan Burke, of San Bernardino, the curator of the CSNA.

All of the previous symposiums have been highly successful, with a large attendance of visitors who travel long distances in order to participate.

As usual, there will be a no-host banquet following the all-day session to honor the speakers. It will take place on the S. S. Princess Louise in Long Beach Harbor. Last year more than 100 turned out for a fine entertaining evening.

The question and answer periods have been varied and unusual, with the guest speakers answering questions relating to their lectures and other subjects of interest to the audience. Such internationally known speakers have appeared on the panels in the past as Eric Newman, Admiral Oscar Dodson, Herbert M. Bergen, Edward Rochette, James A. Conlon, Dr. Ted N. Weissbuch, Norman Williams, Virginia Culver (now the president of ANA), Kenneth Bressett, Miguel Munoz, James Ford Clapp, Jr. and many others.

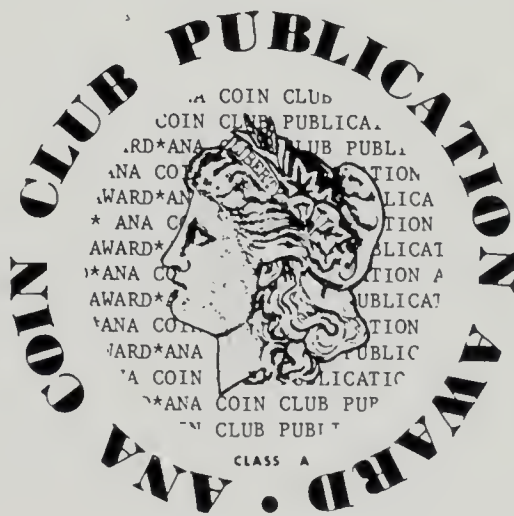
Invitational "Best of Show" exhibits are presented each year. Pasvolsky will show his Indian Peace medals, which have won the country's top awards.

The symposium committee consists of James Ray, chairman; Maurice M. Gould, who was the symposium founder and has prepared the educational program for the six years of its existence; Stuart T. Edgerton, treasurer, Charles G. Colver, secretary, and William O. Wisslead is the president of the CSNA.

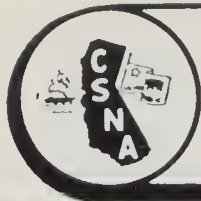
The host is the Long Beach Coin Club and their group has always assisted in making this a memorable event.

The forum will take place at the Walter H. Boyd Auditorium, 235 E. Eighth St., Long Beach. Admission is free to the public and collectors. The starting time is 10:30 A. M. and will continue for the whole day.

For further information, write to James Ray, 1400 Redondo Ave., Long Beach, California.



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Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics



DOROTHY CARSON BABER

By Anna Merle Panosh CSNA 413

A certain axiom always comes to mind when I see Dorothy Baber: "Very busy people always find time for everything." This is certainly true of her. She is not a person to sit and hold her hands; she is one who truly participates.

Dorothy was born in Junction City, Kansas. Her elementary and high school years were passed in Topeka and Winfield, Kansas and business college in Fort Collins, Colorado. Along the way she met a young man named Albert L. Baber. When Al asked Dorothy's father for permission to marry her, Mr. Carson, not wanting to lose his daughter and the best cribbage player in town, told Al he would give his consent provided he learned to play cribbage. This Al did and he and Dorothy were married in Oklahoma. Friends who have been with the Babers on plane trips are quite used to seeing, soon after take-off, the miniature cribbage board and deck of cards appear and a hot game starts. Neither one will say, after all these years, who is the better player.

Soon after marriage the Babers moved to San Diego and here they had their family, two daughters and a son. This of course kept Dorothy out of the business world for a few years and she re-entered it by becoming secretary to the Minister of her Methodist Church. Later she was employed as a secretary by General Dynamics for eleven years. When she left there she worked for a small manufacturing firm, and now is Deputy Clerk for the El Cajon Municipal Court.

Dorothy has always been a worker in community affairs. She has been a member of the PTA groups of her children's schools; has held offices in the Order of the Eastern Star; Pacific Beach and Encanto V. F. W. Auxiliaries, and the Women's Society of Christian Service (United Methodist Church).

The Baber's two married daughters, Jean and Vicki, live in the San Diego area and they have the pleasure of their grandchildren. Son Larry and wife live on the Island of Maui, and that makes it nice, too.

Al's interest in Numismatics got Dorothy started but she has always been more interested in the administrative end of local and national societies. She is a member of many coin clubs and has served twice as secretary of the S. D. County Inter-Club Council and as secretary of the La Mesa Coin Club for eight years. One of her very fine achievements has been as writer and publisher of the San Diego Numismatic Society Bulletin for ten years. This publication won first place award for local publications at the ANA 80th Convention. We are all very proud of Dorothy and her bulletin. She has been very active in the exnumia field also, serving now in her fifth year as secretary of the Tokens and Medals Society. In numismatics her special interest lies in the mini-category of coins and medals. She displays these at clubs and conventions and wins prizes.

But Dorothy has another great collector interest, that of miniature liquor (full) bottles, of which she has about six hundred from all over the world. Through the years of this hobby the Baber house has undergone many changes. It is a good thing that Al is an expert carpenter because in order to properly display the growing collection he has had to take out walls, put up and take down shelves and finally build a whole new beautiful room. Dorothy, true to her clerical training has every bottle listed, with description, date and donor.

Dorothy was General Chairman of the 13th Coinarama of the S. D. Inter-Club Council. When not general chairman, she is in charge of bourse, or registration, or many other things of a busy convention. Also, a prime mover in getting the Council to help provide a bus to take members to the Symposium put on every year by the CSNA. Dorothy has been honored with another interesting job, that of ANA District Representative for this part of Southern California. She takes this seriously and presents the affairs of the ANA to all of the clubs. They enjoy her visits.

Dorothy has been honored many times. She was presented the San Diego Numismatic Society Award of Merit, the only woman to receive its highest honor. And last but not least, her appointment to the 1972 Assay Commission. One of the very nice things about this is that it makes another husband and wife team members of the Assay Commission, Al in 1969 and Dorothy in 1972.

REMEMBER, I told you "very busy people always find time for everything!"



Convention News

54th Semi-Annual CSNA Convention in Sacramento

By Ace Reiswig, General Chairman
CSNA 16-6

Come one . . . Come all . . . Meet me at the Senator Hotel for the best CSNA Convention of all! We are back again in 1974 at the historic Senator Hotel in Sacramento, home of the California Legislature when in session. The 54th Semi-Annual CSNA Convention will be kicked off at 10:00 a. m. Friday, April 19th, for what we are sure will be a very exciting three days, ending at 5:00 p. m. on Sunday, April 21st.

We know that your stay at the Senator will be a very enjoyable one, be you dealer, collector, or a come along (that's a wife or neither of the first two listed!) We are conveniently located in downtown Sacramento, right across the street from "the Steal Works," otherwise known as the State Capitol, setting in the midst of our beautiful Capitol Park, and we guarantee some sunshine, too.

We also have a beautiful "Mall" one block north of the Hotel (great for all the shoppers, or just the lookers.) The Mall features some great fountains, waterfalls and spillways and play areas for those that have young children. And lots of green grass for those that just want to sit and rest a bit.

One of the feature events of the Convention will be our Friday Luncheon. We will be having a very interesting guest speaker, that you won't want to miss. That's at noon on Friday. Make your reservation early.

Just one block east of the hotel (at the east end of the 'Mall') is our great new Convention Center. We wanted the convention to be held there, but as of this writing it is not quite finished. It's a must for the sightseers.

Parking is no longer a problem here with a large parking lot just across the street from the hotel and with a new six-story parking lot just one block west of the hotel.

Friday evening will give you a chance to further your education in some area of numismatics, if you will attend the Educational Forum at 7:30 p. m. It promises to be a good one, so plan to attend.

After the General Business meeting on Saturday and after seeing all the wonderful exhibits, and you have walked the Bourse Room and bought that special coin you were looking for, why not have a little change of pace and visit our own "OLD SACRAMENTO"? It's located about eight blocks west, just past the west end of the Mall. It is a must for the historical minded, and although a long way from being finished, many of the earliest buildings in Sacramento have been completely restored to their original beauty and now house some of the finest antique shops and restaurants that can be found. There is a lot to see and don't forget your camera. There are free mini-buses running up and down the mall all day so you won't have to walk, unless you want to.

If you are a member of the Exonumist Society, or are just interested, be sure to attend the EXONUMIST EDUCATIONAL FORUM at 3:00 p. m. They always leave you a lot more informed and a lot more interested.

Don't forget the No-Host Cocktail Hour at 6:30, just prior to the CSNA Awards Banquet; lots of fellowship, mellow drink and as always great food, plus a laugh or two.

By the way, if you would like to enter an exhibit and try to win one of the beautiful trophies (they sure are getting good), contact Vincent Beretta, P. O. Box 9722, Sacramento 95823. Vince will be doing his normal great job.

For the dealer that would like to display and sell his wares in the Bourse Room, contact Robert Martin, 2220 'Jay' St., Sacramento 95814. Phone (916) 444-6312. Bob said that it looked like we were going to have a great show and we always sell out early here in Sacramento, so contact him now!

Don't forget to stop in at the Franklin Mint Hospitality Room where your congenial Host and Hostess, the one and only Ralph (Curly) Mitchell and his lovely bride Ruth Mitchell will see that you have a hot cup of coffee or tea and you can see some of the finest art works of silver that are made.

The General Chairman D. L. 'ACE' REISWIG, with his two faithful companions and Assistant Chairmen, L. C. 'DUDE' CROSS and A. G. 'HAP' YEAGER (they're the two that do all the work that Ace gets the credit for), promise to have a really great show, but couldn't do it without the help of Jim Hart, host club President and Jack Martin, host club Vice President and all of the other Chairmen, committee members and workers. And if it wasn't for the great work of Joe Kerly, Publicity Chairman, no one would know about the show!

The last official function will be the No-

Host Get-together breakfast in the coffee shop at 9:30 a. m. Sunday April 21st., after which the Bourse Room and Exhibit Room will be open for their normal functions until the close of the show at 5:00 p. m.

There are many more points of interest in and around the Sacramento area, including Sutters Fort, and within an hour's drive are the gold discovery areas including Coloma, where Sutter first discovered gold, and many of the other early gold rush towns. A little further away just across the Nevada border via Highway 80 is the pleasant little town of Reno, where it is rumored that if you were so inclined you could put down a bet or two, or you could take Highway 40 through the town of Placerville (Hangtown) and on up to Lake Tahoe where you can enjoy the beautiful scenery and also find a game of chance or two if you looked.

For those attending the convention by way of the airlines there is a Yellow Cab Airporter that comes directly to the Senator Hotel, so you will not have any expensive cab rides. We hope to see you all at the 54th CSNA Convention in April, here in Sacramento, and just so you won't forget the dates: April 19-21, 1974. See you in SACRAMENTO . . . !



SHERATON-ANAHEIM MOTOR HOTEL
1015 West Ball Road
Anaheim, CA 92802

For several years now, CSNA has issued a first day cover (PNC) at each convention. The cachet contains a special oxidized specimen of the regular convention medallion and is usually the only manner that one of these special medals may be obtained by a collector. The cost of these PNC's is \$3.50 and the proceeds go to support the annual educational symposium, a worthy cause. Issue is usually 100 pieces, serial numbered

and cancelled the opening day of the convention.

Shown above is the PNC issued for the recent Anaheim convention, still available from the secretary.

Also a limited number of 2½" mirror backs with the CSNA logo are available at \$1.50. Proceeds also go toward the symposium.

Convention Program

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 54th Semi-Annual Convention,
Senator Hotel, 12th & L Sts., Sacramento, California, April 19, 20, 21, 1974.

BOURSE CHAIRMAN Robert Martin, 2220 Jay St., Sacramento, Calif. 95814.
Phone (916) 444-6312.

EXHIBIT CHAIRMAN Vincent Beretta, P. O. Box 9722, Sacramento, Calif. 95823.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

- 6:00 p. m. Bourse Room available for dealer set up.
- Exhibit Room available for exhibitor set up.
- Security Room open to dealers. (Closes 10:00 a. m. Fri., April 19)

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

- 8:00 a. m. Bourse Room available to dealers only.
- 9:00 a. m. Exhibit Room available to exhibitors only.
- 10:00 a. m. Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public.
- Convention officially opens.
- Registration desk opens.
- Franklin Mint Hospitality and Exhibit Room opens.
- 12:00 noon Friday Luncheon
- 1:30 p. m. CSNA Executive Board Meeting.
- 7:30 p. m. CSNA Educational Forum.
- 10:00 p. m. Bourse and Exhibit rooms close.
- Judging of Exhibits.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

- 9:00 a. m. Bourse Room available to dealers only.
- 10:00 a. m. Registration Desk opens.
- Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public.
- Franklin Mint Hospitality and Exhibit Room opens.
- 10:30 a. m. CSNA General Business Meeting. All CSNA members invited.
- 3:00 p. m. California Exonumist Society Education Forum.
- 6:30 p. m. No-Host Cocktail Hour.
- 7:30 p. m. CSNA Awards Banquet.
- 10:00 p. m. Bourse and Exhibit Rooms Close.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

- 9:00 a. m. Bourse Room available to dealers only.
- 9:30 a. m. CSNA Breakfast get-together (no host) — everyone is urged to attend.
- 10:00 a. m. Registration Desk opens.
- Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public.
- Franklin Mint Hospitality and Exhibit Room opens.
- 5:00 p. m. Convention officially closes . . . Exhibits must be removed and Bourse Room is closed for dealer clear out.
- Security Room opens for dealers only (if needed).

MONDAY, APRIL 22

- 10:00 a. m. Security Room Closes!



North of the Tehachapis

By Jerry Kroeger, CSNA 18-4

FRESNO

The celebration of Christmas at the delightful party by the FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY has faded into the memories of those who attended the joyous occasion. The club elected new officers to serve for 1974: DR. ARNOLD LEWIS, president; DENNIS OLSWANG, v. p.; CORINNE DUNKLEE, treasurer; RUTH PHILLIPS, secretary; HOWARD DUNKLEE, auctioneer. FNS is in good hands for this year and congratulations to each of you.

The program for February was assembled by ALBERT BABER, recognized authority on Japanese coinage, and presented by the CSNA slide--cassette.

Plans are working on the Coin and Stamp Show on March 16 and 17, to be held at the Fresno Fashion Fair. PAUL ENDLER is chairman.

ENTICEMENT

A door prize that grows and grows if the lucky winner isn't present, that's what's in store for the members of VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Come out and win.

The lucky members of the annual election are: JOSEPH L. SCHULTZ, president; AL RENN, v. p.; LYNN GRANGER, secretary; and RAY FISCHER, treasurer. Good Luck!! The new officers are just in time to plan the Second Annual Coin Show on May 12th at the Dan Folley Cultural Center. See you all there.

JUNIOR CLUB

Young, enthusiastic and eager to obtain numismatic knowledge, that description covers the major portion of the membership of the CUPERTINO COIN CLUB. If you or your club have anything to offer these young people, they invite you to come to their meetings.

Speaker for the meeting in February was PHIL SOLOMAN, who spoke on "Coins of Israel".

Cupertino High School was the location

for the Fourth Annual Coin Show held on Feb. 24. The medal for the show was designed by ERNIE RAY, a junior, and sold at the show to help the club promote interest in numismatics. What a terrific idea!!!

TIME FLIES

Plans for the Annual SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB'S Coin Fair are again under way. To be held at the Jack Tar Hotel on March 31. The newly elected officers are guiding the progress of the show under the leadership of President HARRY HUNTINGTON with the following core of officers: ROY HILL, v. p.; PAUL SNEDAKER, treasurer; and ROSE HUNTINGTON, secretary. Exhibit chairman is HOWARD PORTER, 95 Lausanne St., Apt. I, Daly City, 94014

The programs are well-planned by the directors and are of interest to all. Recent speakers have included JOHN W. SCOTT, Head of the Special Coinage and Metals division of the West Coast; ROY ADAMS, world traveler; JOHN SEARS, knowledgeable collector; all well-qualified in the numismatic field.

SHOW TIME

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB'S new officers: CONNIE PERHAM, president; JEAN PRITCHETT, v. p.; WILLIAM LEGG, recording secretary; FRED GARDNER, corresponding secretary; ED SINS, treasurer; CRAIG KUMLER, librarian; and ERNIE RAY, junior v. p.

The club has just held its two day show at the Hyatt House, and report a huge success.

A medal was struck to commemorate the show and was designed by DOROTHY AND AL MANDELL, and NANCY CUTFORTH. The medals were struck by Masterpiece Medallions and sold at the show.

In San Jose on March 22 - 24 the NATIONAL TOKEN AND EXONUMIA COLLECTOR JAMBOREE will be held at the Le Baron Hotel. DUANE FEISEL, bourse chairman, can be reached at P. O. Box 1161, San Jose.

VARIETY

MARIN COIN CLUB has a variety of interesting and timely speakers; A Corte Madera police officer, on home security; JIM BISHOP on grading of Lincoln cents and buffalo nickels; and the San Francisco Mint Museum Curator; and the usual coin raffle. A good time is always assured. Please drop by on the first Wednesday of each month at the Faculty Lounge of Redwood High School.

PCNS

DR. C. W. ABY, out-going president had a nice turn out of members and guests for his last meeting of the year.

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCI-

ETY always has great guest speakers and interesting happenings at the meetings held on the 4th Wednesday of each month. MISS MERRILEE GWERDER described the work in the Wells Fargo Bank History Room; LARRY REPPETEAU, 1st prize winner of the 1973 Papers Contest spoke on "The Riddle of Portcullis Money"; An ANA Educational Award Certificate went to DON THRALL for his talk "Notice of Dishonor and Protest"; numerous exhibits by active members; prize drawings and tasty refreshments, all planned by JAY PATTERSON III, president; MRS. HARRY CUTLER, v. p.; DON THRALL, treasurer; and MAXINE BRYCE, secretary.

Congratulations and Success in 1974!



NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS...

South of the Tehachapis

By Nona G. Moore, CSNA 1573

WELCOME!

KAISER COIN CLUB of Fontana is our most recent CSNA club member.

VISITING

XENIA KREIZEL of Nebraska (formerly from Hacienda Heights) visited many clubs in January when she was in California.

LA MESA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

HOWARD SMITH'S subject was "Wyoming" at a recent meeting.

NEW ZEALAND

BILL GEHRING, U. S. representative of Hutt Co., New Zealand, spoke at a LEISURE WORLD COIN CLUB meeting. The firm has produced PNC's from the Pacific Isles, Australia and N. Z. since 1970.

INVITATION

LAWNDALE COIN CLUB has asked each member to write or call guests, members or past members to extend a personal invitation to attend club meetings.

WOOD

CWMA has wooden flats available in memory of PAUL WEIGER. Cost is 50c each and proceeds go to charity. Only 300 were produced and may be purchased from BRUCE PETERSON, 3901 Telden No. 6, Culver City 90230. Enclose a SASE with request. They will be sold for one year only and any that

remain will be burned, so wooden money collectors be sure to buy yours early.

GLENDALE COIN CLUB has issued wooden nickels bearing the date 1974. Send a SASE to Box 41191, Los Angeles 90041.

LESTER DUBIN designed a wood flat to commemorate the fifth birthday of ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, San Gabriel Valley, for its first show being held in May.

200 pieces of wooden money were made for the tenth anniversary of NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB. Designers were "SPEEDY" ALLFIE and SALLY MARX.

Souvenir wooden nickels were given to visitors of the COACHELLA VALLEY COIN CLUB'S first show in Indio. Collectors may obtain three by writing JACK HARLAND, Box 146, Palm Springs 92262, and sending 25c with a SASE.

NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS...

MONROVIA COIN CLUB and MONTEREY PARK COIN CLUB???

GOLD

MAURICE JENSEN gave a very interesting talk on "The First Gold Rush in the U. S." at the LONG BEACH COIN CLUB.

ORIENTAL COINAGE

KENNETH YOUNG spoke on "Archaic

Chinese Money” at the LONG BEACH COIN CLUB.

DR. VERNER RICH, a student of numismatics of the Orient, spoke on “Early Coins of Japan” at January ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB meeting.

RAY REINOEHL spoke on “The Wonderful World of Trade Dollars” at the ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB.

Speaker for January at LA MIRADA COIN CLUB was OZZIE STOUT. His topic was “Modern Chinese Coinage, Political and Economical Chaos.”

LUCY PICKENS

NONA MOORE spoke about Confederate money at a KAISER COIN CLUB meeting, highlighting the story of Lucy Pickens and her part in Civil War history.

“THE OLIVE BRANCH”

The ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY of San Gabriel received the President’s Trophy at the NASC 19th convention for producing the best club bulletin for 1973.

QUIZ

DICK THATCHER presented a “Truth or Consequence” quiz program at LA MIRADA COIN CLUB. When a member did not know the answer a consequence was paid.

WHITTIER COIN CLUB educates its members with key questions at each meeting. Correct answers earn a Mercury dime.

ENGLAND

RICHARD TROWBRIDGE showed slides and presented a lecture on “Edward VIII” at LEISURE WORLD COIN CLUB. Dick is a noted writer, author, lecturer and exhibitor, having spoken before more than 100 organizations including forums and conventions.

Dick made his seventh appearance at the GLENDALE COIN CLUB in 1973 and gave of his time and efforts to bring them an interesting program in the British field.

LEONA KOHL’S topic for the 49er COIN CLUB was a very interesting one on “Crowns of England,” with accompanying slides.

SHEKELS

EMANUAL DAY chose as his topic, “The Shekels,” for the ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, San Gabriel Valley. He is one of the ISRAEL COIN CLUB of Los Angeles founders and has made frequent visits to the Holy Land, assisting in the building of the “New Israel.”

FUND-RAISING

OXNARD COIN CLUB is selling special cupcakes at its February meeting. Some will have special coins in them. Proceeds will help augment the treasury.

THOSE ISLANDS

ROCHELLE HOLBERTSON took the OXNARD COIN CLUB on a tour of the Jersey Isles when she spoke to them in January. Her presentation was accompanied by color slides.

ETHEL LENHERT presented her program of the “Coinage of Virgin Islands” at the AMERICAN BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY. Members at that meeting were asked to bring a show and tell item as well.

DENTAL TALK

DR. NATHAN GITLIN spoke on “Israel University of Dentistry Medal” at the ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY, San Gabriel Valley. A collector of Israeli numismatics for many years, he is noted for his Best of Show display on Commemorative Coins of Israel.

HAWAIIANA

JAMES BETTON’S recent talk to the 49ER COIN CLUB was on “Hawaii.” He spoke about coins, tokens, notes and shells used for money in the Hawaiian Islands.

NEW ORLEANS

CSNA president WILLIAM WISSLEAD presented “The Old U. S. Mint at New Orleans” to the EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB, NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION COIN CLUB and POMONA VALLEY COIN CLUB.

VAL MOGENSEN brought slides and talked about “Mardi Gras Tokens” at the NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB.

NEW ADDRESS

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY moved to the North Park Recreation Center, 4044 Idaho Street, San Diego, and changed its meeting night to first Friday.

SYLVIA HAFFNER writes that her new address is 58 Hechalutz Street, Beit Hakerem, Jerusalem, Israel.

SIAM

ROCHELLE HOLBERTON spoke on “A Journey to Bahtland,” with color slides accompanying her talk. Her authentic dress and accessories, together with her display of bullet money, created an interesting and impressive

atmosphere for the presentation before the EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB.

SEMINAR

AMERICAN ISRAEL NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, ISRAEL GOVERNMENT COINS AND MEDALS CORP., ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, and ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF SAN FERNANDO held a seminar at the NASC 19th convention at Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. Master of Ceremonies was MAURICE GOULD, Seminar Coordinator was MILTON FISHGOLD, and Guests of Honor included YITZHAK AVNI, NAHUM HACHOEN, MORRIS BRAM, ABE KOSOFF, VIRGINIA CULVER, EVA ADAMS, and GORDON Z. GREENE.

RETURNING TO THE FOLD

SGT. NORMAN STURGESS, stationed in England, writes that he and his wife, BESS, will be returning to the states soon (after being gone about three years.) He is looking forward to our meetings here as the British clubs did not have the atmosphere that we do and "frankly were a bore!" Norm switched his collecting habits temporarily over there to coin scales and weights. From reports, his collection is one of the finest in the country. Everyone is looking forward to their return, particularly the FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS and SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB where they were the most active.

MUGHAL EMPERORS

GEORGE FALCKE chose as his title, "Coinage of the Mughal Emperors," when he spoke to the CALIFORNIA FOREIGN COIN CLUB. Since George is one of our foremost researchers on this subject, it was an especially interesting and informative program.

MUSEUM

HELEN COOMBS, long-time member of ISRAEL COIN CLUB, Los Angeles, was the February speaker. Her topic was "Judas Magnus Museum," and she illustrated it with a display of silver and bronze medals, as well as wooden nickels issued by the museum.

NICKEL TALK

DR. JOHN E. BAUR was guest speaker at the AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY with a program entitled "Mexico's Nickel Riots of 1883." He is a dedicated historian, having attained his M. A. in Latin American history.

FRANK STRAUSS presented an educa-

tional program to the CALIFORNIA WOODEN MONEY ASSOCIATION when he spoke about the "Fabulous 1913 Nickel."

TOWER MINT

CSNA President WILLIAM WISSLEAD spoke on the topic, "The London Tower Mint" before the AMERICAN BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY and LAWDALE COIN CLUB, presenting a schematic of the Tower showing the layout of the grounds, building, etc.

COIN GRADING

SOL TAYLOR, professor at Chapman College, was guest speaker at CALTECH-JPL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY in January. His topic covered coin grading, coin processing and proper storage of collections.

THE EMPEROR

RALPH "CURLY" MITCHELL'S topic at the LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB was "Emperor Norton of San Francisco."

ENERGY CRUNCH

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB, founded in 1928, starts its meetings at 7:00 p. m. now, with "early bird" drawings at 6:45 p. m., due to the city's requirement that commercial buildings reduce electrical consumption. The club meets in the Calif. Federal Savings and Loan Assoc. building, 5670 Wilshire Blvd., the first Friday.

NUMISMATIC TOUR

JOHN WILLIAMS took the TRIANGLE COIN CLUB on "A Numismatic Tour of the U. S." John and his wife, Irene, also presented the talk to WHITTIER COIN CLUB. In their travels through the U. S. they have made many interesting observations and finds and share their experiences with others in this program.

REVOLUTIONARY DAYS

JOHN BALLARD explained the currency issued in Mexico during the revolutionary period when he presented a slide program to the LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB.

ARMANDO OJEDA spoke on "Patriots of the Mexican War of Independence" at a WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB meeting.

TIMBUKTU

LEONA KOHL was guest speaker at WHITTIER COIN CLUB in December. Her topic was "Bella Slave of Timbuktu," describing the monies used in West Africa, with a slide-talk program.

JUNIORS

MIKE and KEN STEWART, junior members of KAISER COIN CLUB, presented interesting talks. Mike brought his collection of Liberty Standing Quarters and talked of their history. Ken talked about his stamp collection and had a display.

The following is too good to condense, so am repeating it verbatim. It is an account of DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS' young JIM ZIMMERMAN, who was a winner of a summer scholarship presented by the ANA. He was flown to Colorado for a weeks seminar on Colorado College campus.

"Congratulations! You're a winner!" began the letter from the ANA headquarters. I couldn't believe that this was really happening to me. I, out of all the many people who had sent in applications, had been picked as one of the lucky seven young numismatists to go on an ANA scholarship to its summer seminar in Colorado Springs. The few remaining weeks passed quickly, until it was finally 9:00 a. m., July 8th, the time to depart.

"According to my instructions, I was to go to the ANA headquarters, register and pick up a registration pamphlet containing all the information about the seminar and other college events that I would need. I was supposed to spend only a little time at the headquarters, but once you walk in you'll not walk out for many hours. When standing in front of the building, it looks like a television picture tube with white columns to the left and right of a giant oval which serves as the entrance.

"Directly inside is the administrative hall. Here can be bought the many different medals or memberships that the ANA sells. To the left of the hall are the many different offices and the area where 'The Numismatist' is published. To the right, is the museum with its many spacious and attractive displays, which is the largest numismatic library in the world. Either way, the headquarters offers a numismatic experience that is unforgettable.

"On Monday, all of the seminar's 134 students started their classes after a brief meeting on instructions and introductions. Since I had 'grading' as a class, I went to a building called 'Olin No. 1.' The grading class was instructed by Richard Long, curator of the ANA museum. Mr. Long gave a very interesting lecture class where the students could ask their questions or voice their opinions at any time. Because of this, our subject would usually start

out on grading and, as in one class, eventually get onto heating systems that can hurt coins or some other subject. As the class was so interesting, instead of the four hours that most of the seminar's students had per day, our class lasted seven or eight hours.

"Tuesday was highlighted by a tour of the Denver Mint. This tour would be fascinating even to a non-collector. It is amazing to see the thousands of flans being weighed, annealed, struck and bagged. And the errors! We saw a cent that had been stuck in the press so that over 100 other cents were struck onto it. It was at least four inches high and seven inches around its curved sides. And to think that a mint employee came over and threw this ten-to-twenty thousand dollar gem back into the furnace. Howard Johnson, Chief of the Mint Laboratories in the U. S., gave a very interesting talk on Wednesday. The talk was mainly about how the 'Mint Labs' work and was followed by a question and answer period. Once again, a talk that had been scheduled for two hours turned out to be one lasting for well over double time.

"Thursday and Friday were regular days starting with breakfast and class, and ending in either an hour or two of ping-pong, pool shooting, card playing or just talk. Finally Saturday, regretfully, arrived. This, the last day of the seminar, was marked by the presentation of our Certificates of Participation by John Jay Pittman and by an enjoyable trip to Cripple Creek, a nearby ghost town and mine. And before I knew it, the seminar had ended. I was soon on the airplane, going home.

"But as I looked from the small window on the plane, onto Colorado Springs, I realized that I had left many new friends there and that I would return next year, if I could.

"I hope that you can have the same chance to go to the seminar. If you can, Go! You won't regret it."

A SPECIAL EVENING

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB held its annual installation banquet in January at Knott's Berry Farm with CHARLES COLVER as Master of Ceremonies. The theme for 1974 was "Trees" and ANSELMO LEWIS of the California Forestry Service was featured speaker. DR. VERNER RICH of Fullerton was installing officer. The traditional orangewood gavel was presented to outgoing President

WALTER DITTRICH.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB held its annual banquet in January.

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY held its annual installation dinner, capably arranged by the Edgerton's, at the Admiral Kidd Club in San Diego. More than 50 attended and the junior member of the board, LARRY COMBS, acted as master of ceremonies. WILLIAM WISSEAD installed the new officers. ANNA MERLE PANOSH presented the Leonal Panosh Memorial trophy for outstanding exhibitor of the year to ROGER SULLIVAN.

The gala installation banquet for the ISRAEL COIN CLUB, Los Angeles, featured good food, entertainment at piano and guitar by JUDY MARKOWITZ, special door prizes of silver medals, and a numismatic surprise for each attendee — a unique Israel Mini-PN cover of the club, produced for the occasion. CLAIRE ABELSON announced that RAFAEL ALDOR of Israel was the recipient of the ICCLA's coveted award for contributing the most to the advancement of Israel numismatics in 1973. BILL and EVELYN SADLER received 'gold' life membership cards, and MAURICE GOULD, the ANA silver 'past president' medal. The incoming president, SOL TAYLOR, gave each officer and board member gifts from his recent trip to India.

STACKING COINS

CARMEN BOLLONG set a new record in a special game at a recent DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS' meeting by stacking 114 coins.

SAN FRANCISCO

BRYAN BURKE spoke on "The Old San Francisco Mint" at the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB, COVINA COIN CLUB and REDLANDS COIN CLUB. The nostalgic presentation was embellished with interesting slides.

MEDALS

PAUL HAMM gave a talk with slides on "World Fair Medals" at the SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS recently honored RALPH MITCHELL for his contribution to numismatics over the past 40 years by presenting him with the coveted Medal of Recognition.

EXHIBITING

Nine displays were presented at the TOR-

RANCE COIN CLUB in December.

The Russ Snyder Exhibit Award at the WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB was presented to CLAY READ for the most exhibit points in 1973.

DON FARR presented "The Human Factors Approach to Numismatic Displays" at the EAST SAN DIEGO COIN CLUB meeting in December.

REDLANDS COIN CLUB

TOM MONTGOMERY, who recently returned from a Poland visit, displayed his Polish coins and gave an interesting talk.

ED UHLIG spoke on and displayed his coins of the Philippines.

SECRET SERVICE

GLEN WINN, Secret Service agent from the special investigation squad dealing with counterfeits, was guest speaker at the January DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS' meeting. His topic, "Currency and the Secret Service," described his role in combating the evils of counterfeiting and was not only fascinating but frightening.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

The CALIFORNIA WOODEN MONEY ASSOCIATION had its annual Christmas potluck dinner and gift exchange, which Santa distributed to the 65 attending.

Gift exchanges were included at the installation December meeting for the LA MIRADA COIN CLUB. RALPH MITCHELL was installing officer.

BILL SADLER installed new officers for the 49ER COIN CLUB of South Gate, after the annual Christmas potluck dinner. A numismatic gift exchange took place also.

The gala Christmas party held by DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS had a 5 Peso Gold Necklace and proof sets from 1956 through 1964 among its door prizes. The attendance prize was a beautiful Christmas silver bar.

POMONA VALLEY COIN CLUB had its annual installation Christmas party with Santa in attendance. FRANK STRAUSS was installing officer.

Special refreshments turned up at the ISRAEL COIN CLUB, San Gabriel, December meeting, and little LEE MARX, son of SALLY and RALPH MARX, arrived as Hanukka Claus in a cute pixie outfit to distribute gifts for everyone . . . the bag was bigger than Lee!

EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB members were well-rewarded for attending the

Christmas meeting with many gifts, prizes, free raffles, candy and refreshments. WALTER SNYDER installed the incoming officers. On display was the annual check and card for the club's donation to the Crippled Childrens' Hospital Fund. The money is raised through donations and special auctions.

An "old fashioned holiday party" was held by the CONVAIR COINEERS, San Diego. Numismatic gifts were exchanged and the theme for exhibits was "religious." Choraleers filled the air with sounds of Christmas and Polish dancers entertained with native dances dressed in colorful hand-beaded costumes.

86 guests and members enjoyed the FONTANA UNITED NUMISMATISTS annual potluck dinner in December, and 16 more joined the group to participate in the many events. A \$5 U. S. gold piece was among the many door prizes given away.

A numismatic gift exchange was conducted at the TUSTIN COIN CLUB Christmas party.

SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB had a Bingo party for its December meeting with winners receiving numismatic prizes. In the Christmas spirit, numismatic gifts were also exchanged.

TRIANGLE COIN CLUB held its Christmas meeting at the Bellflower Sweden Inn with installation of new officers by WILLIAM WISSLEAD. The dinner was smorgasbord style. A gold coin and gold nugget were dinner prizes. Gifts were also exchanged.

SANTA BARBARA COIN CLUB held its traditional annual dinner in December. More than 70 attended the steak dinner followed by the guest speaker, CHARLES COLVER. He regaled the group with bits of history, stories, incidents and a beautiful display of national currency, all things revolving about his title, "Hometown Bank Notes!" "Hometown" in this instance is the Covina-Pomona area, although his travels and work take him many places.

WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB called its annual Christmas party and show "The West Valley Laugh-In."

THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE

BILL HOLBERTON enlightened the ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY of San Gabriel Valley on "Ottoman Empire Coins used in Israel 1517-1922," when he showed color slides and exhibited coins.

S. I. N.

JOHN SEAY spoke about "Odd and Cur-

ious Money;" HENRI HELLER'S topic was "Looking Ahead to 1974;" and TIM BROWDER recently shared his travel experiences on a Latin America trip to the SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, San Gabriel and Los Angeles chapters.

ELONGATEDS

GILVIN "CORKY" AYERS favored the UPLAND COIN CLUB with a talk on "Elongated Coins."

PAPER

J. H. MCGINNES presented a slide program "Money as an Art or Art as Money?" to the SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, L. A. His topic covered collectible souvenirs of paper money around the world.

A NEW TOPIC

JOHN BAUR, professor of History at Cal-State Northridge, presented "The Scarcity of Small Coinage in California." He regards himself as a small collector of stamps and coins, but a big-time collector of historical facts and his presentation proved to be quite a treat for all WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB attendees.

DESIGNS

CHARLES WYATT talked about "Relationships in Coin Designs" at a recent CONVAIR COINEERS meeting.

AL BABER spoke on "Heraldry" before the CONVAIR COINEERS.

VINCE BACON presented an enjoyable program, illustrated with slides, on "The Many Faces of Liberty" for a SAN DIEGO COIN CLUB meeting.

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CHARLES COLVER, president and general chairman of the 1974 CONVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, promises the upcoming 11th convention will be bigger and better than ever. See convention calendar for details.

SANTA ANA COIN CLUB

Meets at the Santa Ana Library first Tuesdays. Doors open at 7 p. m. and meetings begin at 7:30 p. m.

TRANSFER OF GAVEL

THE AZTECA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY: Art Garnett, pres.; Damaso Torres, vp.; Frank Ortiz, treas.; Betty Brander, rec. sec.; Peggy Borgolte, corr. sec.

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SOCIATION: Earl O'Cathey, pres.; Larry Keil, vp.; Connie Keil, sec.; Bruce Peterson, treas.

CLAIREMONT COIN CLUB: Barbara Buck, pres.; Henry Redmon, vp.; Bill Noga, treas.; Joan Noga, sec.

COVINA COIN CLUB: Gilvin Ayres, pres.; Frank Strauss, v. p.; Golda Poteet, sec.; Gene Calvert, treas.

EAST LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB: Mary Mack, pres.; Leona Kohl, v. p.; Neal Lyles, sec.; Paul Mack, treas.

ISRAEL COIN CLUB OF LOS ANGELES: Dr. Sol Taylor, pres.; Val Mogensen, Lester Dubin, v. p.'s; Evelyn Sadler, rec. sec.; Sarah Breslow, corr. sec.; Nate Bromberg, treas.

ISRAEL COIN CLUB, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY: Peggy Borgolte, pres.

LA MIRADA COIN CLUB: Roy Robinson, pres.; Norma Reardon, Nick Perrulli, v. p.'s; Esther Bromberg, treas.; Dick Thatcher, rec. sec.; Lois Harencame, corr. sec.

LEISURE WORLD COIN CLUB: Leonard Sterling, pres.; Clifton Willoughby, v. p.; Mrs. Milfred McKeown, sec.; Larry Reasoner, treas.

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB: Bill Zollinger, pres.; DeForest Holyoake, v. p.; Lin Sims, sec.; Ida Mae Griffin, treas.

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB: Val Mogenson, pres.; Paul Borack, Mario Arguijo, v. p.'s; Daisy Snyder, rec. sec.; Vincent Dietlerle, corr. sec.; Walter Snyder, treas.

NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION STAMP AND COIN CLUB: Michael Whitaker, pres.; Ron Rankin, v. p.; Del Poizner, treas.; Josephine Rankin, sec.

NORTH HOLLYWOOD COIN CLUB: Bruno Forsher, pres.; Ralph Marx, v. p.; John Huss, rec. sec.; Sally Casalaina, corr. sec.; Sally Marx, treas.

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB: Louis Beretich, pres.; John Garro, v. p.; Carol Linn, sec.; Walter Dittrich, treas.

POMONA VALLEY COIN CLUB: Barney Russell, pres.; Virgil Hankins, v. p.; Larry Keil, sec.; Art Dupont, treas.

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY: Catherine Edgerton, pres.; Ed Raymond, v. p.; Stuart Edgerton, treas.; Betty Hamm, secy.

SANTA ANA COIN CLUB: Darrell Verburg, pres.; Claude Watt, v. p.; Eleanor Slater, sec.; Birt Slater, treas.

SANTA BARBARA COIN CLUB: Joel Harwin, pres.; Robert Hansen, v. p.; Robert Moriarty, treas.; Paul Johansen, corr. sec.

SOUTHEASTERN SIERRA COIN CLUB:

Florence Gutlirie, pres.; Virginia Stone, v. p.; L. W. Burkhalter, treas.; Beulah Lehman, sec.

SOUTHERN HUB COIN CLUB: Phil Faulhaber, pres.; Myron McClafflin, v. p.; Evelyn Sadler, sec.; Frank Ortiz, treas.

TORRANCE COIN CLUB: Frank Martin, pres.; Virginia Dennis, v. p.; Trudy Nichols, sec.; Adam Fritzel, treas.

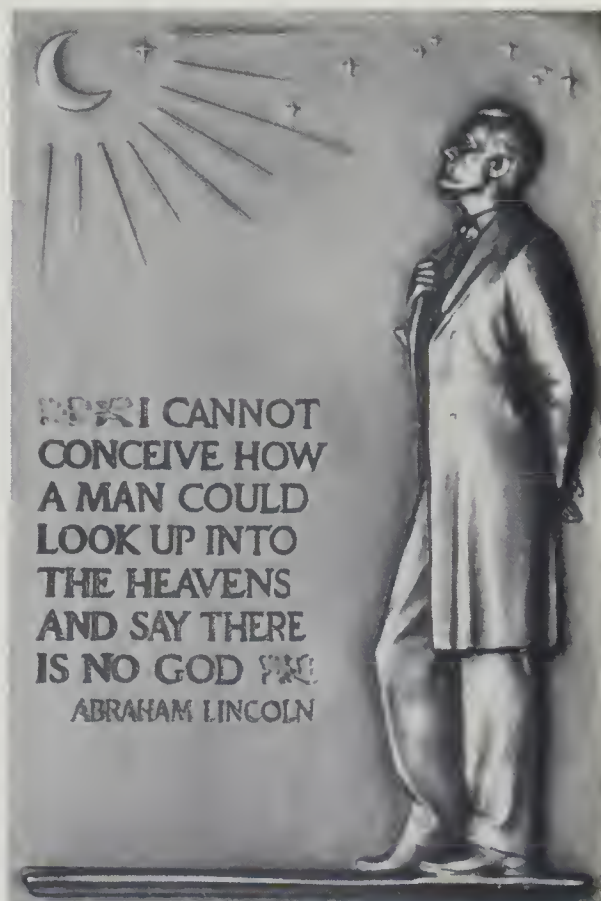
TRIANGLE COIN CLUB: Roy Robbins, pres.; John Williams, v. p.; Chris Gandi, sec.; Mary Pederson, treas.

TUSTIN COIN CLUB: Jack Riley, pres.; George Muhic, v. p.; Dion Baker, sec.; Dale Dollar, treas.

UPLAND COIN CLUB: Ethel Lenhert, pres.; Paul Neifert, v. p.; David Beaton, treas.; Marlin Lenhert, corr. sec.; Nona Moore, rec. secy.

WEST VALLEY COIN CLUB: Peter Brander, pres.; Richard Lebold, Douglas DeRome, v. p.'s; Harry Shirk, treas.; Betty Brander, rec. sec.; Leonora Donald, corr. sec.

WHITTIER COIN CLUB: Dr. Sol Taylor, pres.; Norma Reardon, Robert Marshall, v. p.'s; Mark Lariccia, treas.; Lois Harencame, corr. sec.; Esther Bromberg, rec. sec.



— Bronze plaque by Medallie Art Co.



From the Desk of the Secretary

Charles G. Colver, CSNA 6-1

NEW MEMBERS (Nov. 11, 1973 to Feb. 10, 1974)

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- 2685 BARSCH, G. R.
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- 2687 BOWMAN, Robert S.
(sponsored by the secretary)
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- 2689 WARD, Anthony 2023 Cloverfield Blvd., Santa Monica, Calif. 90404
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- A2708 BOWMAN, Hilda S.
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- A2709 STURGEON, John H. 268 S. Second Ave., Upland, Calif. 91786
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- A2710 CASALAINA, Emanuele S.
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- A2711 KRAUSE, Harriet H. 3511 Sixth Ave., Apt. 4C, San Diego, Calif. 92103
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- A2712 GEHRING, Mary P. O. Box 4154, Glendale, Calif. 91202
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- A2713 SCHATZ, Sally 19 University Ave., Yonkers, N. Y. 10704
(sponsored by Philip Schatz)
- A2714 LAGERA, Jane P. O. Box 903, Red Bluff, Calif. 96080
(sponsored by Tony Lagera)
- A2715 McINNIS, Shirley D. 636 - 22nd St., Santa Monica, Calif. 90402
(sponsored by J. H. McInnis)
- A2716 CHASE, Dorothy A.
(sponsored by Howard Chase)
- 2717 PALLANT, Jon W. P. O. Box 771, Painesville, Ohio 44077
(sponsored by Hy Brown)
- 2718 JONES, Wiley S. 3706 Big Dalton, Baldwin Park, Calif. 91706
(sponsored by Vic Cruikshank)
- 2719 WARNECK, Stuart 16748 Londelius St., Sepulveda, Calif. 91343
(sponsored by Peter Kaufman)
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(sponsored by Hap Yeager)
- A2721 THOMAS, Charles D. P. O. Box 20285, Sacramento, Calif. 95820
(sponsored by Viola Thomas)
- A2722 BAKER, Mrs. Robert W. P. O. Box 223, Aptos, Calif. 95003
(sponsored by Robert Baker)
- A2723 NICOLAS, Bernice
(sponsored by Norman Nicolas)
- A2724 CAMPBELL, Mary 47 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, Calif. 91024
(sponsored by Hugh Campbell)
- A2725 BELL, B. Larry 1321 Sixth Ave., Delano, Calif. 93215
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- 2726 ESTRADA, Rudolph I. P. O. Box 32384, Los Angeles, Calif. 90032
(sponsored by the secretary)
- 2727 STUART, James P. P. O. Box 1865, Santa Rosa, Calif. 95403
(sponsored by Barbara Hyde)
- 2728 STATLER, Rick P. O. Box 9471, San Diego, Calif. 92109
(sponsored by San Diego Error Club)
- A2729 ZUBIATE, William M.
(sponsored by Barbara Zubiate)
- A2730 KAPPEN, Nora E. 2201 Peachtree Lane, San Jose, Calif. 95128
(sponsored by Charles Kappen)
- A2731 SLAGLE, Mrs. Beatrice P. O. Box 2248, Huntington Park, Calif. 90255
(sponsored by Nelson Slagle)
- A2732 CRUIKSHANK, Dorine 204 S. Citrus Ave., West Covina, Calif. 91790
(sponsored by Vic Cruikshank)

2733	KAISER COIN CLUB	(sponsored by Nona Moore)
A2734	STURGESS, Bessie E.	360 W. 24th St., San Bernardino, Calif. 92405 (sponsored by Norman Sturgess)
2735	MOORE, William H.	9702 Rush St., So. El Monte, Calif. 91733 (sponsored by the secretary)
2736	BURKHALTER, Leroy W.	(sponsored by Bill Wisslead)
2737	HOFFMAN, Paul L.	(sponsored by the secretary)
A2738	DITTRICH, Carmen M.	9 Mountain Terr., Upper Montclair, N. J. 07043 (sponsored by Thomas Dittrich)
2739	RUBLE, Robert L.	1716 Forane St., Barstow, Calif. 92311 (sponsored by the secretary)
2740	SNYDER, Daisy C.	8100 Lena Ave., Canoga Park, Calif. 91304 (sponsored by Walter Snyder)
2741	BECKHAM, E. R.	(sponsored by Ted Weissbuch)

RE-INSTATEMENTS

432	HUDSON, Gerald L.	1055 Boggs Lane, Lakeport, Calif. 95453
A1021	DUNBAR, Pauline Ney	P. O. Box 277, Inglewood, Calif. 90306
1173	TRIANGLE COIN CLUB	5340 Brockwood St., Long Beach, Calif. 90808
1241	JESCH, Fred E.	608 Bridge St., Yuba City, Calif. 95991
1506	GOODE, Dr. John R.	1353 W. Sixth St., San Pedro, Calif. 90731
1617	MOSS, George H.	1215 Sheffield Way, Roseville, Calif. 95678
1624	SPELLMAN, Duane	2176 Callahan, Simi, Calif. 93065
1874	FARQUHAR, Donald S.	
1894	TOWNSEND, Don, Jr.	506 W. Seventh St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90014
2051	JACHEL, H. Victor	661 Green Acre Dr., Fullerton, Calif. 92635
2080	CADWALADER, R. E.	P. O. Box 85, Soquel, Calif. 95073
2101	RINDONE, W. R.	P. O. Box 238, Lake Oswego, Ore. 97034
2382	MARTIN, John H.	268 Ashdale Pl., Los Angeles, Calif. 90049
2397	STURGEON, Mrs. Billie G.	268 S. Second Ave., Upland, Calif. 91786

RESIGNATIONS

306	BARRETT, W. V.	San Bernardino, Calif.
848	PRUITT, Norman F.	Stockton, Calif.
1070	FULD, Melvin	Baltimore, Md.
1641	CLEMENTS, Damon L.	Merced, Calif.
2081	MOSELEY, Troy	Alpine, Texas
2437	BROWN, Eleanor D.	Los Angeles, Calif.
2445	BYWATER, Bryan	Fontana, Calif.
2457	ESSICK, John R.	San Jose, Calif.

ADDRESS UNKNOWN

21-5	FREVILLE, Ray
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DECEASED

1-29	KAPLAN, Sol	Cincinnati, Ohio
31	CONNOR, W. C.	Upland, Calif.
457	WAIT, Alvin L.	Sacramento, Calif.
1461	JASMIN, Deanna	West Covina, Calif.
2229	SHULMAN, Joe	Northridge, Calif.
2498	BOAZ, Herschel	Central Point, Ore.

CHANGE OF NAME

2345 GIRON, Carol A. to Carol A. LINN

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership, Nov. 10, 1973	1085
New Members, Nov. 11, 1973 to Feb. 10, 1974	60
Re-Instatements	14
Resignations	8
Address Unknown	1
Deceased	6
Net Membership, Feb. 10, 1974	1144
Total Life Members	112

DEANNA JASMIN

CSNA No. 1461

Covina Coin Club members were saddened during the Christmas season by the sudden death of their popular and beloved "Cookie Girl," Deanna Jasmin. Always cheerful and full of life, Deanna had endeared herself to all who knew her. A devoted member, she had been an officer, and served as hostess at club meetings for several years, always adding that extra special touch. She had just completed serving a beautifully decorated Christmas cake to club members, when stricken.

Deanna will also be remembered by many as a long time member of the famous "Covina Rooters Table" at CSNA convention banquets.

Those who did not know her have missed one of life's pleasant memories. Those fortunate ones who knew her will never forget. "To know her was to love her."

Farewell Deanna, thanks for brightening our pathway a while!

And, to Leonard, our very sincere and heartfelt condolences.

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From the Desk of the Treasurer

Stuart T. Edgerton, CSNA 14-4

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE 53RD CSNA CONVENTION AT ANAHEIM

EXPENSES

Printing	\$ 382.49
Dealers signs	148.50
Registration Services, Visitors & Con. Bureau	240.00
Rooms for Security and Bourse Chairmen	159.00
Breakfast plus Door Prize	135.60
Miscellaneous	137.65
Publicity	282.44
Awards	479.61
Medals and Holders	1455.94
Friday Luncheon and Bus	229.09
Secretary's Expenses	100.00
Case Transportation	50.00
Editor's Expenses	100.00

Banquet and Favors	992.93
Ribbons and Rosettes	338.76
Bourse Coordinators Expenses	34.00
Bourse Chairman's Expenses	6.65
Security	1194.65
Anaheim City Tax	238.00
Typewriter Rental	21.00
Hotel Labor Charges	400.00
Liability Insurance	54.00
Kennedy Half Dollars	140.00
Hotel Tips	100.00
Forum Expenses	32.00
Bourse Refunds (2)	50.00
Photography	200.00
Total	\$ 7702.31

RECEIPTS	
Bourse	9980.00
Banquet	850.00
Luncheon	192.50
Breakfast	135.00
Registration	996.78
Medals	619.00
Total	12773.28

NET GAIN	\$ 5070.97
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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	80.00
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* To Orange County Coin Club	253.55
(This will be reflected in the next Treasurer's report at Sacramento.)	

SETTING-UP OF THE SAN FRANCISCO MINT DISPLAY,
FINANCIAL REPORT TO 24 JANUARY 1974.

EXPENSES	
Setting-up of display	\$1198.88
Reception	373.78
Medals	2389.39
Total	\$ 3962.05

RECEIPTS	
Sale of Medals	\$2283.55
Total	\$ 2283.55

DEFICIT	\$ 1678.50
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"Eureka!" The name is the Greek word for "I have found it," the exclamation of Archimedes, philosopher and mathematician, after he had solved a problem in physics. The word was adopted in 1849 as California's state motto and included in the design of the state seal dated 1850.



Quarter Century

From CSNA quarterly publication for
March 1949:

Dear Feller Numismatists:

This here secetary's page don't amount to nuthin' nohow, and that's how come its the last page. If we ain't got enuf room we can leave it out and nobody won't miss nuthin'; and if we ain't got enuf stuff to fill the durn book we can put it in and nobody won't look at it anyhow so they won't miss nuthin' anyway you look at it. But we gotta put some-thin' on the last page or everyboddy will think the printer made a mistake and write in to find out what was left out. So this is it.

Yuh know, this here job of being secretary of this outfit has turned out to be a pretty good job. I allus got plenty of readin' matter and every day or so when I open a letter out drops a couple of moth eaten dollar bills what should a been sent to the cleaners long ago. I ain't never been able to figger out why when fellers pays there dues they sends in the worst lookin' bills they kin find in the hull town they lives in, and you kin imagin whut a bill thet comes from a town like Los Angeles looks like.

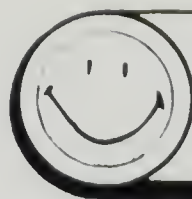
Anyhow it don't make much difference. I bin able to pass them on. It says in this here bulletin to make your reservations early so I done sent in five of the moth eatingest bills to that there Hotel Sainte Claire in San Jose you ever saw, and iffen that hotel kin git any nourishment out of them there bills they are welcome to 'em.

I notice in this here bulletin thet it says there will be election of officers, so mebbe some of you fellers what has a itch to be a secretary will want this here job. I kin recommend it, since i hev now hed it fer two hull years. Yuh won't git very rich at it but it will surprise yuh to find out how many friends it will git yuh.

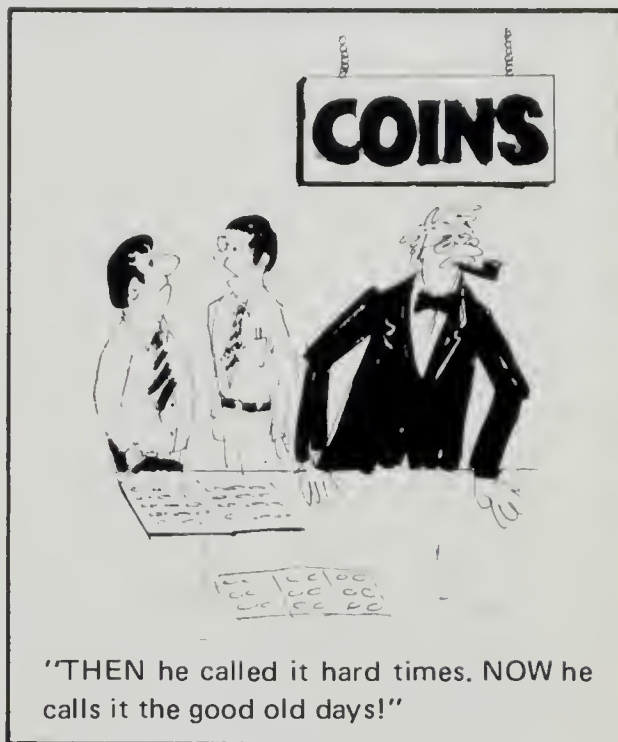
See yuh in San Jose,

The sec.

The CSNA secretary-treasurer who did the above "spoofin" was none other than the late Leonel C. Panosh.



Chuckles



It seems quaint to us that our ancestors used clamshells and beads for money. I wonder what they'd think about a wallet-full of little plastic cards!

Love of money is only half the root of all evil . . . lack of it is the other half.

Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you. — (Carl Sandburg.)

A taxpayer is a person who does not have to pass a civil service examination to work for the government.

The cost of everything has gone up, but happiness, smiles and kind words are as cheap as ever.

Hustler: "I don't know what Bill does with his money. He was short yesterday and he's short again today."

Rustler: "Is he trying to borrow from you?"

Hustler: "No, hang it! I'm trying to borrow from him!"

Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

- March 30, 1974 Sixth Annual Symposium
Boyd (High School) Auditorium, Long Beach
James R. Ray, chairman, 1400 Redondo Ave., Long Beach 90804
- April 19 - 21, 1974 54th Semi-Annual Convention
Sacramento Valley Coin Club, Senator Hotel, Sacramento
Ace Reiswig, general chairman, 4431 Freeport Blvd., Sacramento 95822
- Nov. 1 - 3, 1974 55th Semi-Annual Convention
San Diego Inter-Club Numismatic Council, U. S. Grant Hotel, San Diego
Catherine Edgerton, general chairman, 3431 Carleton St., San Diego 92106
Al Baber, bourse chairman, 611 Oakwood Way, El Cajon 92021
- April 25 - 27, 1975 56th Semi-Annual Convention
San Francisco Coin Club, Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco
- November 7 - 9, 1975 57th Semi-Annual Convention
San Gabriel Valley Coin Club, Pasadena Hilton
Henri Heller, general chairman, 5611 N. Cambury, Temple City 91780
- Spring 1976 58th Semi-Annual Convention
Fresno Numismatic Society, Fresno
- Fall 1976 59th Semi-Annual Convention
San Bernardino County Coin Club, Palm Springs Riviera Hotel, Palm Springs

Jim Betton, bourse coordinator, P. O. Box 533, Santa Monica, California 92402
To be contacted for bourse application to any CSNA convention.

OTHERS

- March 28 - 30 Annual Show
Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico
Fiesta Palace Hotel, Reforma No. 80, Mexico City
Anna Maria Cross de Torres, chairman, Apartado Postal 60-589, Mexico 18 D. F.
- March 30 - 31 8th Annual Coin Show
Eureka Coin Club
Redwood Acres Fairgrounds, Eureka
Harry Dixon, bourse chairman, Box 505, Eureka 95501
- March 31 6th Annual Show
Salinas Valley Coin Club
Masonic Temple, 48 San Joaquin, Salinas
Gordon Rammer, general chairman, 566 Sutter St., Salinas 93901
- April 5 - 7 13th Annual Coin Show
Bakersfield Coin Club
Casa Royale, 251 South Union Avenue, Bakersfield
Bill Davis, 1232 University Ave., Bakersfield 93305
- May 19 15th Annual Coin Festival
Southeastern Sierra Coin Club
Masonic Hall, Bishop, California
Chris Mobley, Box 1511, Bishop 93514
- June 1 - 2 17th Annual Coinarama
San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council
Scottish Rite Memorial Temple, Mission Valley, San Diego
Bob Wise, general chairman, 1013 N. Ivy, Escondido
- June 21 - 23 COIN Annual Show
Los Angeles Hilton
Charles Colver, general chairman, 611 N. Banna, Covina 91724
Ben Abelson, bourse chairman, 2707 Butler, Los Angeles 90006